

DR GOODWIN SAYS "THEY ARE THE PEOPLE" AND SHOULD BE EDUCATED.

TWO HIGH-SCHOOL PRINCIPALS GIVE THEIR OPIN-

IONS ABOUT "FREE SECONDARY EDUCATION" The Public Education Association held a well-at tended meeting at the Berkeley Lyceum, No. 19 West Forty-fourth-st., yesterday afternoon. Two high-school principals, Dr. E. J. Goodwin and Dr. John G. Wight, dolivered addresses, and Mrs. Wilhard Parker, the vice-president of the association,

Wight spoke of the teaching of literature in the high school, and said that a knowledge of the classics was indispensable to any young man ar woman with aspirations. He recommended the study of poetry, and said that every student ought to own some books of his own. These, he said, should be chosen by advice of the teacher, who would, of course, not only know the bent of the young mind, "but the place where it was not bent and ought to be." One's own books, Dr. Wight thought, had much more of an influence and were setter beloved and more deeply studied than mere school, text or library books.

Dr. Goodwin gave an exhaustive account of the mission of the high school, which he termed "free secondary education." The standard of knowledge and culture is becoming higher all the time, he said and, considering the laborious work and small pay of teachers, the least that can be exsected is that the State will furnish them with a thorough education without any charge to them. morough education without any charge to them. A few years ago little more than a grammar-ichool education was necessary for a young man who wanted to enter a medical school, but a high-perhool education is necessary now, and Columbia University has decided that after 1903 the same thing will be necessary before anybody can enter is law school.

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The common school, the speaker said, only premise a lot of primary truths, to understand or appropriate which the high-school training must be fiven. Matthew Arnold once said that in England here are three classes—barbarians, or the aristomats: Philistines, or the great middle class, and he populists. In America the barbarians are left sit, or nearly so; so are the populists, and the Philistines are the people. They are the men who rivent who think, who build railroads, and, for his country's good, they need to be educated iducation gives breadth of vision and eatholicity if spirit.

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If morality is the soil from which religion sprung
Dr. Goodwin said that he thought it was enough
to teach morality in the school. Morality, ethics
and philosophy he thought to be an excellent
tests to build one's ideals on.

PRACTICAL POINTS FOR WOMEN.

THE HOUSEHOLD ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION

STUDIES HEATING, PLUMBING AND VENTILATION.

The new room of the New-York Household Economic Association, in the Industrial Building. was filled yesterday afternoon with the members of the association and their guests, anxious to earn what they could on the timely subject, "Pracical Points About Heating, Plumbing and Vendiation." Charles F. Wingate, consulting sanitary ingineer, spoke on the topic, and every woman sent away filled with the laudable desire to follow out his suggestions to the letter.

When you move into a new house," said Mr. ingate, "the first thing to do is to acquaint yourelf with all the water-pipes and gaspipes, to see I they are all in good order, and where they are to be turned off in case of an emergency. If necessary, get an intelligent plumber to go with you from the top to the bottom of the house, and exsiate all about the plumbing. mg in the matter of smells. Men often think that somen have an unusual capacity for smelling, but they need to have a trained sense of smell to detent he difference between the various odors of & n There really is no sewer gas smell per se, but closely affiliated with it is the rank, foul, greasy smell that gathers about the wash basin and

Mr. Wingate then displayed a bit of dried soap or grease to illustrate what he called "solidified sewer gas." To keep this deposit from becoming s resting-place for germs and consequent disease, be suggested putting a piece of potash the size of lemon in an empty tomato-can, filling it with polling water, and as the potash dissolves pouring t slowly down the traps, letting it remain there, if

possible over night.

Mr. Wingate also gave "five points of sanitary Calvinism," warning his audience in selecting 1 home to beware of dampness, whose signs were falling plaster, dry rot of the timbers, rust on the pipes, mould on the walls and a kind of hoarfrost adhering to the sides of the cellar. At the close of the remarks a vote of thanks was tendered him by the audience.

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Mrs. W. G. Shailer, president, then introduced
Mrs. H. M. Plunkett, author of "Women Plumbers
and Doctors," a scientific work on household santation, who spoke of the strides made in the knowltation, who spoke of the strides made in the knowltation, who spoke of the strides made in the knowltation, who spoke of the stride work of the stride work. She
congratulated the association on its work, and
topped all its members would show their interest
in the establishment of the State Hospital for Consumptives.

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Mins Shaller reported the gratifying growth of the School of Domestic Science, which in two weeks had increased sixfold, and reported fifteen applications for classes to be formed in settlements and missions. Mins John F. Barry, chairman of the Committee on Schools, made an appeal for more furnishings for the schoolroom, particularizing the special need of cups and saucers, forker butter-plates, spats, a gas boiler, and money, of course.

Amouncement was made of a lecture to be given to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock to the Association of Teachers of Cooking, by Miss Helen Kinne. Tea and cakes were served at the close of the meeting.

## MEDALS FOR NURSES.

It is reported that Congress is to be asked to give gold mednis to Miss Margaret Livingston Chanler, of this city, and Miss Anna Bouligny, of New-Orleans, in recognition of their work in the Porto Rico campaign.

BETTER COOKING AND MORE MILK. It is suggested that an expert cook, "familiar with the elements of physiology," be employed at the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and that a pint of milk be added to the regular ration, and served once a day. These innovations are on account of the high percentage of sickness at the home.

#### NEW-ENGLAND ENTERTAINMENT.

Many people have received the impression that the "Rag Carpet Bee" to be held at Delmonico's on Tuesday evening, January 24, is to be a cos-tume affair. This is not so; only the performers will wear the costumes of other days. All others will wear evening dress.

Mrs. Benjamin B. Kenyon has arranged speaking seems from Miss Holley's book, which will be the feature of the evening. The singing games, by a chorus of fifty, in coatume, will be under the direction of Miss Driver, of Washington, D. C. These afte "The Needle's Eye," "On the Quebec" and "The Hanks of the Fleasant Ohio," all of which will present a curious picture of an olden pastime. The modern supper and the modern dances will close the entertainment.

## ANOTHER RECREATION PIER PLANNED. A resolution sent by the Board of Aldermen

to the Department of Docks and Ferries recommending the building of another recreation pler at Twenty-second-st and the North River was considered by the Dock Board yesterday, but was laid on the table to be taken up at some future time. If the recommendation is favorably considered, there will in future be three recreation piers on the West Side between the Battery and Fiftethan.

MIES GOULD VISITS SICK SOLDIERS.

Miss Helen Gould, with two women friends, visit-M Bellevue Hospital yesterday afternoon to inquire about the health of the sick soldiers in the hospital. The party was immediately placed under the charge of an attendant and taken through the wards where the sick soldiers lay. They were five in number. Miss Gould held a short conversation with each before she and her companions left the hospital. When, it became known that Miss Gould was in the hospital she and her companions were the object of much curiosity on the part of the sick.

#### "PHILISTINES" IN AMERICA. | EDUCATING SPANISH GIRLS

MRS. GULICK TELLS ABOUT THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE.

STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND SERVANTS WERD LOYAL TO THEIR SCHOOL DURING THE RECENT WAR

Mrs. Alice Gordon Gulick, who is at the head of the International Institute for Girls, in Spain, will sail on February 1 from Boston, and return to the peninsula to continue the work that the late war interrupted. The Institute was established by Mrs. Gulick in the city of San Sebastian in 1881, and it has been supported by the Woman's Board of Missions connected with the American Congregational Board and by the special gifts of friends of all denominations. The Institute has fifty graduates teaching two thousand five hundred children in Spain, and two former graduates, Señorita Esther Alonso and Sefiorita Juliana Campo, who took the degree of M. A. at the University of Madrid, are teachers in the school.

Mrs. Gulick was seen at the Hotel Winthron. One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st. and Seventh-ave., yesterday by a Tribune reporter. She is a sister of Miss Anna Gordon, who is so well known in Woman's Christian Temperance Union work, and who was the private secretary of the late Frances Willard.

Mrs. Gulick said: "When the Spanish-American War broke out we found, for politic reasons, that it was better to change our residence for a time, so we moved the Institute to Biarritz, France, which is one hour distant by rail from the Spanish frontier. Every Spanish teacher, student and servant accompanied us, and when the academic year opened last October eleven new students joined the classes with the full approbation of their parents and friends. We did not lose a single Spanish friend because of the war, and the feeling in Spain about the people of the United States is not at all an unkind one. The masses are delighted that the colonies are lost to the mother country, for they know that possession of them means a constant

"When I was in Spain I saw hundreds of mothers

### EVE OF ST. AGNES.

St. Agnes's Eve. ah, bitter chill it was!

The owl, for all his feathers, was a-cold:
They have limped trembling through the frezen
grass.

ass. silent was the flock in woolly fold. b were the beadsman's fingers while he told sary, and while his frosted breath, along the proper form a censor old. Like plous incense from a censor old, Seemed taking flight for heaven without a death

The feast of St. Agnes, which occurs to-day, is commemorative, according to ecclesiastical tradi-tion, of the Christian martyrdom of a young girl. the daughter of a noble Roman family. beheaded in the persecutions of Diocletian, in 303, at the age of sixteen. Her uncommon beauty, so the story reads, had tempted a son of the Roman prætor Sympronius, from whom she was only saved by the interposition of a miracle. Sympronius was struck blind for his presumption, but finally recovered his sight through her prayers. From this time on St. Agnes was regarded as the patron saint of young girls, and St. Agnes's dreams were thought to be the sweetest of the year. On this tradition Keats based his poem "The Eve of St. Agnes." telling how upon St. Agnes's Eve-

If ceremonies due they did aright
As supperless to bed they must retire.
Nor look behind, nor sideways, but require
Of heaven with upward eyes of all that they desire then might they have their visions of delight. In the lapse of years other signs and portents gradually accumulated, until at present the festival has taken on much the semblance of Halloween, each maid trying the efficacy of some magic spell. While all the Halloween games are in favor, a special one, nut-shaking, is the concomitant of St.

Agnes's Eve alone. Upon a little evergreen a quantity of nuts are suspended in such fashion that they may be readily dislodged. When the witching midnight hour ar-

dislodged. When the witching midnight hour arrives, each maid in turn may stand beneath the tree, and while one of the party gives it a gentle snake she holds out her arms to catch the nuts which fall. Seven is the lucky number of the evening, and the girl who catches seven or any multiple of seven is deemed most fortunate.

In this city the feast of St. Agnes will be celebrated to-morrow by the parishioners of St. Agnes's Church, in the Grand Central Palace, where they have been worshipping since their church was destroyed by fire. Bishop Farley will celebrate solemn pontifical mass. Archbishop Martinelli, the Apostolic Delegate, and Archbishop Martinelli, the Apostolic Delegate, and Archbishop Corrigan will be present in the sanctuary, and Monsignor Conaty, rector of the Catholic University at Washington, will preach. The regular choir will be assisted by an additional quartet and a string orchestra, so that the music, for which St. Agnes's is noted, will be up to the standard. An admission fee will be charged, to enable Dr. Brann to hurry the work of rebuilding the church.

### TO OPPONENTS OF POLYGAMY.

The literature department of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church has just issued the following advice to the opponents of polygamy:

polygamy:

If you wish to have a voice in what shall be done with Mr. Roberts, the polygamist Representative-elect from Utah, do not make the mistake of sending your petition or protest to the House of Representatives which is now in session. If you do, your paper will be thrown into waste-baskets or furnaces when this House adjourns on March 4 next. No paper presented to this House will be seen by the next House.

Mr. Roberts was elected to the House of Representatives of the LVIth Congress, which will meet on the first Monday of next December, unless President McKinley, should call an extra session. President McKinley, should call an extra session. President McKinley, should call an extra session. This would give but little time for work sgainst This would give but little time for work sgainst This would give but little time for work sgainst mean time. Mr. Roberts will get his seat long before the new House will have time to read any petition to it as a whole. We must therefore find out at once who is the Representative-elect of the district once who is the Representative-elect of the district in which we live, and then "snow him under" in which we live, and then "snow him under" with letters and petitions from the voters of his own district, so that he will feel that his constituents with one votce accusand Mr. Roberts's expuients with one votce accusand Mr. Roberts's expuients in orbining which any true Representative so much is nothing which any true Representative so has own district. By sending in your letters and petitions to him now, he will have time to study them tons to him now, he will have time to study them tons to him now, he will have time to study them tons to him now, he will have time to study them.

pelled just as surely as he comes to Washington, but if we sit idly by while Mormon attorneys are arguing with members-elect of the new House every day until that House meets, you cannot expect anything else than a Mormon victory. You cannot blame a member of the House of Representatives for voting to please the polygamist so long as he has reason to believe that the people of his district have no objection; but let him know that you do object altogether and all the time, and he will gladly heed your wishes.



ALWAYS A RIVER TO CROSS.

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There's always a river to cross;
Always an effort to make
If there's anything good to win,
And rich prizes to take.

Yonder's the fruit we crave,
Fonder's the fruit we crave,
Is the river that lies between.
For the treasure of precious worth
We must patiently dig and dive:
For the places we long to fill
We must push and struggle and strive;
And always and everywhere
We'll find in our onward course
Thorns for the feet and trials to meet,
And a difficult river to cross.
The rougher the way that we take,
The stouter the heart and nerve:
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The stouter the heart and nerve:
For the glory we hope to wis
Our labors we count no loss:
'Tis folly to pause and murmur because
Of the river we have to cross.
So, ready to do and dare,
Should we in our places stand,
Fulfilling the Master's will.

Selected by L. M.

Of the river we have to be soon t

ENDOWMENT FUND The regular fund upon which the T. S. S. can rely for current expenses is steadily increasing. Mrs. Theron E. Parsons, of this city, will contribute \$1 every month, thus making the fund

The other contributors are J. Augustus Rice, it a month: two young women of Trenton, N. J., if, Mrs. Joseph Shardlow, il; Mrs. R. F. Hudson, il; Mrs. Wychoff, 50 cents, Mrs. A. W. Haynes, 50 cents; T. S. S. members, & cents.

A check for it has been received from Mrs. Lionel Sutro, "to help pay postage."

The following contributions have reached the of-fice: A box from Mrs. M., of Newark, N. J., conknow that possession of them means a constant conscription.

"When I was in Spain I saw hundreds of mothers marching with hanners on which were the inscription. We will not send our sons to Cuba." I talked with the Spanish prisoners at Portsmouth.

N. H., when I went there as an interpreter for the Red Cross, and every one of them said they only went to fight the Cubans because they were drafted and had to. It is now our plan to re-enter of San Sebastian. This will place us in a position of greater influence, as well as establish us in the literary and geographical centre of Spain. The institute is the only institution of its kind in Spain and also for the State schole. The education given will enable girls as soon, as there is more liberty to take up any special branch of work, such as stengeraphy and treaching on the control of the daughters of the deucated people of the control of the daughters of the educated people of the control of Pharmacy connected with the Madrid University.

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I will go forth 'mong men, not mailed in scorn. But in the armor of a pure intent;
Great duties are before me, and great songs,
And whether crowned or crownless when I fail,
It matters not, so as God's work is done.
—(Alex. Smith. Selected by E. C. Smith.

Has any one a sewing-machine for which she Has any one a sewing-machine for which she has no further use? If it is up in the garret, tucked away where it is doing no good, and is still in a condition of being of use, the President-General wants to call it out. It is against the Sunshine rules to leave anything tucked away out of sight when it can be the means of bringing good cheer to somebody if passed on. A mother who has a large family of small children, and who does all the sewing by hand, would be glad to pay the freight charges on such a donation. Any member desiring to answer this call will please notify the President-General, and the address of the one needing the machine will be sent.

THE BEST ESTATE.

Art thou thine own heart's conqueror?
Strive ever thus to be;
That is the fight that is most sore.
The noblest victory.

Art thou beloved by one true heart?
Oh, prize it! It is rare;
There are so many in the mart—
So many false and fair.

Art thou alone? Oh, say not so! The world is full, be sure: There is so much of want and wee, So much that thou canst cure.

Art thou in poverty thyself?
Thou still canst help a friend:
Kind words are more than any pelf,
Good deeds need never end.

Art thou content in youth or age?
Then let who will be great;
Thou hast the noblest heritage.
Thou hast the best estate!

—(F E Weatherly in Cassell's Family Magazine. Selected by A. H.

MOUNT VERNON NEWS.

Miss C. Annette Fisks, a lawyer and owner of large real estate in Mount Vernon, surprised the court of the city by her appearance there on Mon-day morning. Mount Vernon has now a woman paster and a woman lawyer, besides several woman

The science section of the Westchester Woman's Club is to begin an interesting course of lectures on Saturday afternoon. They are to be given in Willard Hall by Mrs. R. K. Dunn, from the Brooklyn Institute of Arts, on the subject of "Household Economics." The Ladies' Aid Society of the Vernon Heights

Congregational Church gave a pleasant social to its pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Kellogs. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ultcht, on Monday evening. It was the anniversary of the third year of Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg's marriage, and the people presented them with a beautiful couch regular meeting of the Westchester Woman's

Club was held at Willard Hall on Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was formally opened by the president, Mrs. Leslie McLean, and her few represident, Mrs. Leslie McLean, and her few re-marks were followed by two delightful vocal selec-tions given by Miss Gebleo. After this Miss Tilton introduced Mme. Ragozin, who gave an interesting talk on the Russian people. The word "corpse," he said, is unknown in the Russian language; a dead body is spoken of always as "one who is at rest." Almahouses, or poorhouses are spoken of as "houses where God's work is done." The regular meeting of the Bureau of Charities

was held on Monday afternoon at the home of the Bureau. Reports from the different were read, new cases of need presented and four new members added to the roll.

SCHOOLS FOR THE RED MAN.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Skinner has notified Mrs. Harriet Converse that provision has been made in the proposed educational law which has been introduced in the Legislature for the compulsory education of Indian children, for the erection of schoolhouses and for the employment of native teachers. Mrs. Converse is laboring to improve the condition of the red man.

## ANOTHER STEP TAKEN.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE EDISON ELECTRIC ILLUMI-NATING COMPANY.

The fact was printed about two weeks ago that negotiations were under way, with an excellent prospect of a successful issue, for the acquisition of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, of this borough, by the New-York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power Company. The rise of 61/2 per cent on Thursday in the price of the Edison stock led to a general belief that these negotiations had been completed, and yesterday confirmation was given to this opinion, when the following cir-cular to the stockholders of the Edison company

was given to this opinion, when the following circular to the stockholders of the Edison company was issued by Spencer Trask & Co., Vermilye & Co. and the Central Trust Company:

Mr. George Foster Peabody, of the firm of Spencer Trask & Co., representing the principal stockholders of the Edison company, has entered into an agreement with the State Trust Company for the sale of the Edison stock represented by him, to become binding only in case the holders of at least \$5 per cent of the stock shall have agreed to the sale by February 15, 1899, with an allowance of tendays additional to stockholders living abroad. Up to these dates all stockholders will be privileged to join in the sale on the same terms, viz., 220 per cent of the par value of Edison stock payable in 4 per cent purchase money gold bonds, due February 1, 1949, of the New-York Gas and Electric Light. Heat and Power Company at par; that company to have the right to pay off the bonds at par and accrued interest at any time within three years from February 1, 1999.

The banking-house of Mesars. Vermilye & Co. has undertaken in our behalf, under an arrangement with the State Trust Company, that they will agree to purchase these bonds from any assenting stockholder who shall agree prior to March 25, 1899, to sell to them at the price of 35 per cent and accrued interest. All commissions in the entire transaction are to be paid by the purchasers.

The issue of bonds is to be limited to \$1,000,000. They will be secured by a purchase money mortgage, which will be a first lien on the Edison shares and by the deposit of \$4,000,000 in cash with the trustee, the Central Trust Company of New-York (with reserved power to invest the same in improperty, and by a second mortgage upon the property, and by a second mortgage upon the property, and by a second mortgage in the same in the property, and the mortgage securing 15,000,000 bonds, of which \$11,500,000 are now outstanding. The bonds and the mortgage securing 15,000,000 bonds, of which \$11,500,000 are now outsta

The New-York Gas and Electric Light. Heat and Power Company, which is owned by the Whitney syndicate-William C. Whitney, Thomas F. Ryan, Anthony N. Brady, William L. Elkins, P. A. B. Midener and Thomas Dolan-was incorporated in October. Not long afterward it bought the Mount Morris Electric Light Company and the Manhattan Electric Light Company and also the Empire Subway Company, control of which would give it facilities for laying as many additional electric light wires as might be necessary. The company also bought, about the middle of December, a plot of ground at Ninety-seventh-st, and First-ave., close to the site of the new power-house of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, which corporation the Whitney syndicate controls. The taking over of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, the largest of the electric light companies in Manhattan Borough, will place the New-York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power Company in nearly entire control of the electric light business here. Two companies are still outside the combination, and the New-York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power Company is reported to be negotiating the purchase of both of these-the Westinghouse Electric Company and the Block Electri-Light and Power Company, a comparatively small concern, the principal owners of which are Will-lam F. Sheehan, Colonel George B. M. Harvey and George W. Young.

orge W. Young.
At the office of Spencer Trask & Co. it was said
sterday that there was no question that the plan
the transfer of the Edison company would go
rough. It is believed that the control of the comny will pass to the New-York Gas and Electric
pht. Heat and Power Company within a few

Weeks.

It was learned yesterday that R. R. Bowker had offered his resignation as first vice-president of the Edison company, and would also soon retire from the presidency of the Manhattan company. Mr. Bowker was quoted yesterday as saying that he would not deposit his Edison stock under the plan set forth above, and as declaring his opposition to the action of the holders of the majority interest in consenting to a consolidation through agreeing to dispose of their holdings to the New-York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power Company.

LOCAL BUSINESS COMPLICATIONS.

A meeting of the creditors of the D. E. Rose Company, manufacturers of cigars and cigarettes at Nos. 286 and 288 Elizabeth-st., was held yesterday in the office of Horwitz & Samuels No. 34 Broadway. The statement showed liabilities, 860, 600 and assets, \$30,000. A proposition was made for a settlement at 231-3 cents on the dollar in notes at three six and nine months, and a commit-tee was appointed to examine and report.

\$12,420 against the Springfield Quarrying, Mining and Construction Company, whose office was at No. 44 Broadway, in favor of the Produce Exchange Trust Company, on notes of the company, indorsed by Walter J Roberts to the order of the Standard National Bank, which were turned over to the Produce Exchange Trust Company.

Two judgments, aggregating \$11,075, were entered yesterday against George Hasbrouck in favor of the New Home Sewing Machine Company for indorsing notes of Thomas McLoughlin in Augus 1887, which were also indorsed by the Standar Bicycle Company, formerly at No. 330 Seventh-ave of which Mr. Hashrouck was treasurer.

Isaac Phillips has been appointed receiver in applementary proceedings for Israel Gordon, of Gordon & Millard, manufacturers of cloth caps at No. 235 Mercer-st. who closed on October 4 last by Judge Hascall of the City Court on the appli-cation of John Menke, a creditor.

### PETITIONS IN BANKRUPTCY.

Samuel Weiss, manufacturer of women's underwear at No. 64 Grand-st., against whom a petition in involuntary bankruptcy has been filed, has filed his schedules showing liabilities \$16.477 and assets \$2.575 in open accounts and claims.

A meeting of the creditors of Mrs. Hattle Hyman, wholesale dealer in silks at No. 445 Broomest., was held yesterday before Ernest Hall, referee in bankruptcy, at No. 64 Williamst. Eleven credi-tors filed claims aggregating \$26,965, and Edwin A. Richards was elected trustee. The schedules showed assets of \$19,226.

A meeting of the creditors of Charles L. Hirsh. formerly a wholesale dealer in druggists' and grocers' sundries at No. 530 Canal-st., was held yester day before Nathaniel A. Prentiss referee in bank-ruptcy, at No. 120 Broadway. Claims were filed by eight creditors aggregating \$13,660, but as the schedules showed no assets a trustee was not

FIBRE BOX COMPANY ASSIGNS. Chicago, Jan. 20.—The fibre box company of this city assigned to-day to Charles H. Wells. The liabilities are \$15,000, and the assets \$100,000.

REPORTED DEAL IN CEREALS

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 29.-A dispatch to "The State Journal" from Akron, Ohlo, says that the details of a deal that involves an entire change in the man agement of the American Cereal Company, or Oatmeal Trust, leaked out yesterday. Within the last meal Trust, leaked out yesterday. Within the last week 12000 phares of stock of the American Cercal Company, representing \$1.200,000, have been transferred to Myron T. Herrick and James Parmelee and a few of their friends of Cleveland, and J. R. Nutt and William Christy, of this city. As the outstanding stock of the company is \$1.241,700, this purchase does not represent a controlling interest, but it represents a balance of power.

INCORPORATED IN WEST VIRGINIA. Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 20 (Special) .- A charter

has been issued to the Vigilante Mining and Milling Company, for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating mining properties in South Dakota. The principal office is to be in New-York City, and the authorized capital is \$100,000, of which \$1,000 has been subscribed. Alexander H. Spencer, Clement A. Griscom, fr., Frank W. Montgomery, Ellis M. Potter and Benjamin F. Kobbe, all of New-York, hold 200 shares each. Certificates of incorporation have al

The Colonial Copper Company, to conduct a eral copper mining business. Its principal office is to be kept in New-York City, and the capital stock is placed at £,000,000, of which £1,200 has been sub-scribed. The incorporators are Anthony B. Bright and Harry D. Hanway, of New-York City; William Wood, of Brooklyn, and others.

To the Beckwith Mining Company, to operate many claims in Colorado. Its office is to be in New-York City, and the company is capitalized at 1,000,000, of which 1,000 has been subscribed. David Jankower, Frederick A. Burnham, Frank M. Kelley and Frederick Ranolle, of New-York City, and William R. Weeks, of Newark, N. J., are the incor-To the Sierra Bianco Exploration Company, to perate in mining in Colorado; capital. \$1,000,000, cith \$50 paid in: principal office, New-York; insortorators, the same as the Beckwith Mining Com-

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DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING.—To one plut of boiling water add one and one-half ounces (one-quarter of the small size cake) of Ivory Soap cut into shavings, boil five minutes after the soap is thoroughly dissolved. Remove from the fire and cool in convenient dishes (not tin). It will keep well in an air-tight giass jar.

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principal office in the Borough of Manhattan; authorized capital, 4750,000, with \$5,000 subscribed. The incorporators are Joseph B. Allaire, John Schwarzkop, Max Bunner, George C. Feigl and Frederick C. Tompkins, all of New-York City.

MANY RUMORS AS A RESULT - ANOTHER DE-

COTTON RATE WAR BEGUN.

SOUTHERN RAILROADS CUTTING RATES-STIR-RING DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 30 (Special) - Beginning with to-day, a sensational cotton rate war is opened be-tween the principal Southern railroads. The Sea-board Air Line, the Central of Georgia, the Southern and others have cut their cotton rates, and there is a prospect of a still further fall. The soliciting agents were out for orders this morning under the new system, and stirring developments are shortly expected in the situation. The Southern and Central were authorized by the State Rail road Commission to meet the cut begun by the Seaboard Air Line.

GRANITEWARE TRUST FORMED.

THIRTY MILLIONS IN PREFERRED AND COMMON Chicago, Jan. 20.-A telegram to "The Times-Her-

ald" from Milwaukee says that the National Enameling and Stamping Company will be the name of the Graniteware Trust, which includes the Kleck-hefer Company, of that city. The company will be organized under the laws of New-Jersey, with a capital stock of \$10,000,000 7 per cent preferred stock and \$20,000,000 common stock. The principal plants absorbed by the trust are in Milwaukee, St. Louis, New-York and Baltimore. A bonus of 50 per cent of common stock is offered to purchasers of the preferred stock. The \$2,000,000 raised by the sale of the preferred stock will be used as the working capital of the organization. A meeting to perfect the organization of the company will be held soon in New-York.

MRS. STANFORD'S GOOD FORTUNE.

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San Francisco, Jan. 20.-Central Pacific Railroad stock, which less than three months ago was quoted at 18, has advanced to 48. Mrs. Stanford owns \$3,333 shares of the stock, and at 13 it was worth \$433,339. At the present rate she might sell it for \$1,999,989, and it is said she has ev en a better offer. 'The Examiner" to-day says that the local stockholders of the Central Pacific estimate that within thirty days the scheme for the financial reorganization of the road would be made public. is talk of consolidation with the Southern Pacific, but the belief is also expressed that preceding a

consolidation there will be a temporary lease of the Central by the Southern Pacific under an agreement by the latter to pay 2 per cent annual dividend on the 688,000 shares. BALTIMORE'S RAILWAY DEAL

CONSOLIDATION OF ALL THE STREET RAILWAY LINES COMPLETED.

Baltimore, Jan. 20 (Special).-The negotiations begun a month ago for the consolidation of all the city and suburban electric and traction railways of Baltimore were completed to-day. Alexander Brown, representing the Elkins-Widener syndicate, which first bought the Baltimore City Passenger which first bought the Baltimore City Passenger Railway lines, has accepted the proposition of the Consolidated Company to sell its stock at \$37.50 a share with the acquirement of the City Passenger Railway Company's stock at \$30 a share calling for \$12.600,000 and the Consolidated, calling for \$12.600,000. The deal involves \$25,000,000. Three months ago Consolidated Railway stock had not reached its par value of \$25. Under the deal just effected the \$5,000,000 stock distributed at the formation of the company will return over \$13,000,000.

The papers in the deal have not yet been signed, but it is stated that a verbal agreement has been made for the consolidation.

ELECTRIC ENTERPRISE IN QUEENS.

A NEW COMPANY IN WHICH JOHN D. CRIMMINS IS BELIEVED TO BE INTERESTED.

Albany, Jan. 20.-The Astoria Light, Heat and Power Company, with its principal office in Queens Borough, was incorporated to-day, with a capital of \$500,000. The company will supply both gas and electricity, and will operate in the several counties eigenfelty, and was very comprised in New-York City. The directors are Horace W. Fuller, Augustus R. Moen, Arthur C. Hume and F. R. Foraker, of Manhattan, and T. Wilbur Spear, of Brooklyn.

Nothing definite could be learned in Queens Borough last night relative to the Astoria Light. Heat and Power Company, which filed incorpora-tion papers at Albany yesterday. The belief is gen-eral that the company is one in which John D. Crimmins is interested. Mr. Crimmins on November I last closed a deal whereby for himself and others obtained possession of the Casino Farm, the Woolsey estate in Astoria, and about the same date he bought Berrian's Island, in the East River. A he bought Berrian's Island, in the East river. A story was started at the time that it was intended to finish the racetrack laid out on the Woolsey estate some years ago. Mr. Crimmins denied this saying the purchases had been made with a view of utilizing the property for mercantile purposes. At that time it was said that a part of the property would be used for an electric plant.

IMPORTANT RULING AS TO SUGAR DUTIES. New-Haven, Conn., Jan. 30.-Judge W. K. Townend, of the United States District Court, to-day handed down an important decision in the case of the American Sugar Refining Company against the United States, in which is involved the right of customs appraisers to assess duty on moist or green sugars imported from Brazil at a higher value than they were worth when shipped in Brazil. Such sugars lose from 14 to 15 per cent in weight by drainage and evaporation during the voyage, and are more valuable when they reach this country than when they start. The court sugars the appraisers in taking account of this increase in value.

COTTON-MILL WORKERS STILL OUT. Augusta, Ga. Jan. 20 (Special).-The cotton-mil

peratives' strike is still on here. President Pugh operatives of the local Textile Union announced this morning of the local Textile Union announced this morning that the strikers were still determined to push their ends, and would starve in preference to returning to work at the reduced scale. Between significant and ninety employes at the shops of the eighty-five and hinds of the day gone on a strike because of the deduction of one hour from the laboring day. The official declare the reduction is necessary on account of a close appropriation, but the disaffected men say they will stay out until the old figures are restored.

NIAL THAT THE VANDERBILTS HAVE SECURED CONTROL.

The buying of Manhattan yesterday was larger and more eager than ever, a total of 110,530 shares changing hands. The stock at one time touched 11814, but subsequently reacted, closing at 1184, a net gain for the day of 3% per cent. All sorts of rumors were current regarding this stock, the favorite one being a reiteration of the oft-told tale that the Vanderbilts were buying it largely.

One of the leading men in the Manhattan s recent sharp rise in the company's stock:

There is no truth in the reports that the Vanderbilts have acquired control of the Manhattan Railway Company. They have denied it privately to their friends, and only yesterday Chauncey M. De-pew denied it publicly for them. It is a thing to be regretted that this rumor should have gained such wide circulation, but in these days of excited speculation people will believe any stories which are set affoat. The controlling interest in Manhattan is held by five individuals, counting the Gould estate as one. The Vanderbilts know this, and they are too shrewd business men to think of going into the open market, as has been reported to be their policy, with any intention of being able to buy there shares enough to give them control.

to the prospect of early execution of the plan for electrical equipment of the system. The details of

elevated roads had, after careful examination, re-ported that the structure was not strong enough to bear the weight of the electrical locomotives neces-sary to handle the five-car trains run on these lines; and, on the other hand, it was rumored that a motor light enough in weight to meet the re-quirements of the situation could be operated.

RUMOR OF A DEAL IN COPPER DENIED.

NO CONSOLIDATION OF MINES OR CONFERENCES ON THE SUBJECT, IT IS SAID

A story from Chicago was printed yesterday in this city to the effect that a copper combination, involving most of the big mines, except the Anaconda, the Calumet and Hecla, and the mines of the Ontonagon district, Michigan, would be closed. here, probably to-day. The mines included, it was added, were the Boston and Montana, Butte and Boston, Old Dominion, Arcadian, Tamarack, Os ceols and the Quincy, and the "deal" had been carried through by Levy Mayer, of Chicago, and by W. A. Clark, of Butte, the Lewisohns, of New-York; A. S. Bigelow, S. Chase and Leopold & Ans

Referring to this story, Jesse Lewisohn, of the firm of Lewisohn Brothers, said yesterday that his firm had not taken part in any conferences that had as their object the entrance of the Standard Oil interests into the copper field, nor did he know of any conferences arranged to that end or to bull the copper market. The extraordinary activity in the copper market he attributed to perfec ral causes. The market was the best it had been in a long time, and not in years had there been so great a demand for account of the second se great a demand for copper by the various indus-

tries in which it is used. Other prominent copper men who were seen also denied that any such scheme of consolidation as outlined in the Chicago dispatch was likely to be put through, for the present at least. The Boston and Montana, it may be said, is so involved in littgation at present that it could not be a party to any consolidation deal, if any is really in plation. The Standard Oil interests, it is believed, would be glad to consolidate their Arcadian and other practically undeveloped copper properties with producing and paying mines, but the stockholders of the latter are said to be by no means eager to close out their holdings on any terms of far proposed by the Standard Oil people.

INCORPORATED AT ALBANY.

Albany, Jan. 20 .- The following companies were Rensselaer County Loan Association, of Troy

capital, 5.000. Directors: F. W. Doyle, Michael Doyle and Mattle E. Doyle, of Elmira. Buffalo Structural Steel Company, of Buffalor capital. 20,000. Directors: Casper Teiper, John & Wickser, William G. Houck and Avery C. Wolfe J. B. McCarty Company, of New-York City; to

iesl in art goods; capital, \$500. Directors: Beaumont, of Nutley, N. J. and Arthur T. Hardy and John M. Harrington, of New-York City. Casion Press Company, of New-York City; to carry on a printing and publishing business; capi-tal, \$10,000. Directors: Barciay Dunham. Frederic T. Singleton and Angus F. Mackay.

Uvalde Asphalt Company, of New-York City: capital, 200,000. Directors: John T. Marston, Ralph T. Rokeby, Charles L. Spencer, Harry L. Olden and James T. Sparkman.

INCORPORATED IN NEW-JERSEY.

Articles of incorporation were recorded in the Essex County Clerk's office at Newark yesterday C. Rogers Brothers, of Meriden, Conn. capital stock is placed at \$1,000,000, of which \$5,000 is paid in. The concern will engage in the cutlery and hardware business. Cephas B. Rogers, of Meriden, Conn.; H. Burton Rogers, of Danbury, Conn., and Arthur J. Baldwin, of East Orange, N. J. are the incorporators. The papers were also filed with the Secretary of State at Trenton.

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